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Mr Liam Harron
Via email

Dear Mr Harron

Council Meeting – Wednesday 29th September 2021

Thank you for submitting a question to the Council Meeting on Wednesday 29th September. I have detailed the question below along with my subsequent response for your information.

***“In 2015 an Internal Review of RMBC’s response to FOIA Request was carried out by a solicitor. Likewise, in 2016.*”**

RMBC now states: “Your request will be fully investigated and will be dealt with by a staff member who was not involved in the original decision”.

When and why did RMBC stop using a solicitor for important Internal Reviews?”

Such decisions are day to day procedural matters for council staff, but I am advised that there has been no change to the service’s approach to dealing with such reviews. I will ask a relevant member of staff to advise you further.

Yours sincerely



**Councillor Chris Read
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